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THE BRITISH COLONIST.

Monday Morning, Jan. 6, 1868.

SECRETIN.

At New Westminster, on Christmas Day, 1867, the wife of Mr. T. B. Bishop, Esq., Registrar General, of a son, At Stamps' Mills, Burrard Inlet, on the 19th December, 1867, the wife of Mr. J. A. Caterell, of a son.

On Williams, Creek, Cariboo, on the 1st December, 1867, the wife of Mr. Andrew Keeley, of a daughter.

DICKENS IN AMERICA.—Charles Dickens reached Boston on the 19th November. The Cunard steamer Cuba, in which he was a passenger, was intercepted by the United States gunboat Hammonia Hamlin and Mr. Dickens taken on board. The tugboat proceeded immediately to Boston, and arrived at Long Wharf about an hour in advance of the Cuba. Among those who were on board the tugboat were Mr. Dolby, the agent of Mr. Dickens; Collector Russell, of the port of Boston; Oliver Wendell Holmes; General Sherwin, Hon. Josiah Quincy, James Fields, of the publishing firm of Ticknor & Fields, and several other literary celebrities. After the customary greetings and congratulations a repast was served on board the Hammonia, and when it was finished she had arrived at her dock in Boston. The party then took carriages and proceeded immediately to the Parker House, where Mr. Dickens will remain until his departure for New York. The first series of his readings were to begin in Tremont Temple on the evening of December 3, and his first in New York on the evening of the 9th. Mr. Dickens' voyage from Liverpool to Boston was one of uninterrupted pleasure, and while declining for the present all public ovations, he nevertheless feels profoundly gratified for the many manifestations of welcome which the American people have already shown towards him. Mr. Dolby, his advance agent, has already disposed of some eight thousand tickets to his first series of Boston readings, and there is no apparent diminution in the number of applicants. A considerable number of them have probably been bought up by speculators.

NOT SO BIG A PILE AFTER ALL.—A few days ago we stated in a paragraph that the Schmidburg Bros. had made their "pile" by buying the Russian Fur Company's ship at New Archangel, freighting her with goods from the fort at Alaska and taking all to San Francisco for sale. The paragraph was rather premature. The brothers would have made a fortune if there hadn't been an "if" in the way, said "if" being the absence of the "needful" to consummate the purchase. It appears that when the ship reached San Francisco Prince Makutoff declined to give up either ship or cargo, whereupon the brothers commenced suit against him to recover \$1755 for conveyance of merchandise, wares, &c., from New Archangel to San Francisco, and the whacking sum of \$150,000, damages alleged to have been sustained through the failure of the Prince to transfer the ship and cargo, as agreed.

LECTURES.—In another column will be seen an invitation to Mr. Harrett to give the result of his travels in British Columbia before leaving us. Few really know the amount of labor this gentleman has performed during the last summer, or the amount of information he has gathered. We shall revert to this subject again before the time appointed for his speaking. We understand that Mr. H. has engaged the services of a leading engineer to draft diagrams of the principal mining sections from his own designs, in order to illustrate their importance strongly and comprehensively. Terms of admission are within the reach of all. Private boxes, \$5; to the house, 50 cents; pit, 25 cents. Admiral Hastings has already taken a box for himself and party, and no doubt the house will be well filled.

BIG BEND.—The snow was about 2½ feet deep on French Creek. The claims had all ceased washing. In the Black Hawk and Blue-pose they were drifting. The Daggett Co. had stopped working on the creek, and were drifting into the bank, where they were getting 2 oz. a-day to a load. The Wingfield Co. were drifting, & were taking out from 1½ to 2 oz. a-day to the hand. The Discovery Co. were taking out wages. There are about 60 men wintering on the two creeks. The market is well supplied and prices are reasonable. Flour is 22c; beef 20 to 25c; sugar 50c; butter (bacon) \$1.50; potatoes 15c; cabbage, turnips, &c. 10c.—*Examiner.*

AN interesting letter from Alfred Waddington, Esq., will be found on our 4th page.

BENEFIT OF R. G. MARSH.—Mr. R. G. Marsh, lessee of the theatre, will take a benefit to-morrow evening, on which occasion will be presented "Sill Waters Run Deep," in which Mr. M. W. Anderson, lately from Australia, will assume the character of Captain Hawksley, and Mr. Chas. Clarke, that of John Mildmay, Miss Jenny Arnot Fowles will appear as Mrs. Mildmay, and Miss Yeoman as Mrs. Sternhold. Mr. Anderson's conception of the difficult character of Hawksley is said, by those who have seen him in it, to be really fine. "State Secrets," in which Mr. Alex. Phillips assumes the role of Gregory Thimblewell, will conclude the entertainment.

SHAMEFUL.—The attacks of the *News* upon R. G. Marsh. Honest criticism is all right; but foul abuse, grave insinuations affecting the moral character of a citizen, and persistent attempts to drive from our midst a worthy family who seek to gain a livelihood by contributing to the public amusement, are unmanly and unprofessional, and deserve, at least, censure. The *News*, having a private quarrel with Marsh, aims to make it a *public* one by attributing its opposition to worthy motives. We hope that none of the readers of our contemporary will allow themselves to be prejudiced against the object of its malevolent and libellous attacks.

THE CHERRY CREEK SILVER LEAD.—We understand that San Francisco capitalists propose taking a one-half interest in this lead and to furnish all the capital necessary to open it. The specimens sent below for assay astonished the parties to whom they were submitted, and awakened an interest in the mining resources of British Columbia which will eventuate in good. We are told that few specimens of ore as rich as those from Cherry Creek have ever been brought to San Francisco.

AWFULLY COLD.—The weather yesterday was the coldest of the season. The thermometer, at 9 o'clock in the morning, was only seven degrees above zero. A sharp, narrow searching wind from the northeast prevailed all day and swept the streets of pedestrians. The churches were miserably attended, and those who went looked as though they wished they hadn't. During the greater part of the day the sky was clear; but towards sundown it became overcast and threatened a heavy fall of snow.

THE NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILROAD, which will have its Pacific Terminus at Puget Sound, has been surveyed from Lake Superior to the Red River of the North, and the surveying parties disbanded, excepting the principal engineers and office assistants, who are engaged on the maps and estimates. The upper line of the Eastern division starts from Superior, and crosses the Mississippi above Crow Wing; the other division starts from Bayfield, and crosses the river at St. Cloud.

CARD OF THANKS.—The passengers by the steamer California on her last trip from this port published a card in the San Francisco papers in which they return thanks to Capt. Winsor for his able seamanship during the severe gale, and his uniform kindness and attention. The signers also compliment the Chief Engineer, Purser and Steward for courtesies extended, but deprecate the condition in which the Company sent the boat to sea.

TEA MEETING.—The tea meeting of St. Andrew's Church will take place on Wednesday evening, at St. Nicholas Hall. The fair friends of the Church are busily engaged in preparing the edibles for the festival, which, it is anticipated, will eclipse any affair of the kind yet given here. Addresses will be delivered during the evening by numerous friends of the cause.

HEYWOOD'S HEAD.—Mr. Chadwick, late of the International, opened the Garrick's Head Saloon, on Bastion street, on New Year's evening. Chadwick has spared no expense in ornamenting his new premises, and the saloon is now one of the prettiest in the Colony.

SKATING.—Harris' pond was crowded with skaters yesterday. The ice was as smooth as glass, and the participants appeared to enjoy themselves, notwithstanding the sacred character of the day and the cold, cutting, northeast wind that prevailed.

THE CAPITAL QUESTION.—The Enterprise, on Saturday, brought no Government Gazette. It is rumored, however, that the Governor's proclamation appeared on Saturday afternoon, indicating Victoria as the future seat of Government of the Colony.

WHEN the California sailed from San Francisco on the 30th ult., great apprehensions were felt for the safety of the China steamer, which was three days overdue.

TALL STAFF.—The flag-staff just raised in front of Wells, Fargo & Co.'s, on Yates street, is the tallest in the city, having a length of 105 feet. It is as straight as an arrow.

DANCING CLASS.—Mrs. Nunn's dancing class will re-open this evening, at Sir Vere Hall, Yates street.

We hear that Mr. C. C. Pendergast is coming back as Victoria Manager of the New Pacific Express Company.

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"THEY CURE!" What cures? Ayer's CHERRY PECTORAL for a Cough, Ayer's PILLS for a purgative, and Ayer's SARSAPARILLA for the complaints that require an alternative medicine.

FRED PAYNE has removed his Cheap Shopping Shop to the opposite side of Johnson street, just above the Miner's Saloon.

The Memorial for a Catholic Clergyman from the Residents of Alaska.

SITKA, ALASKA TERRITORY, }
December 23d, 1867. }

Right Rev. Bishop Demers.

REV. AND DEAR SIR:—By the steamer Constantine we, the Catholics of Alaska Territory, have the honor of sending to your Lordship a petition which has been signed by only a few of the many Catholics in the city of Sitka, praying that your Lordship might send us a priest. It is not in my power to describe to your Lordship what indescribable pleasure and joy the Catholics here would feel if they were to know that we could but see a priest. There are Catholics enough here to support a priest well. I say, also, that there is perhaps no place on the coast where a priest is so badly needed as in Sitka. I will have a set of rooms ready at any time for any priest which your Lordship may send; and that God may enable you to send us one, your children here will ever pray. I have the honor to remain your Lordship's most humble and obedient servant,

THOMAS G. MURPHY.

Cariboo.

[From the B. C. Examiner.]

The snow was about three feet deep on William Creek, and was still falling, although the weather was far from severe. Active mining operations had been commenced in the claims recently dried by the bed-rock drain. In the Lillooet, Cariboo, Welsh, Bald-head, Sheep-skin and Sheep-head claims work was going bravely on, and in some good pay was being obtained. In the Lillooet rich ground was being worked. The Caledonia and Prince of Wales were paying well, having yielded 120 ozs. and 70 ozs. for the work of the week respectively. Above Richfield the McLaren, Dead-wood and Nicholson-Bradley were also paying well. While in Stout's Gulch the Taftvale and Alutus were giving a highly satisfactory yield.

On Grouse Creek the Flume Company continued to take out "big pay," while the Discovery and Full-rig were doing well. The name of the man killed by a snow-slide on the 5th Dec. was Robert Ruddell. He was about 32 years of age, and came from Acton, Province of Ontario, Canada. There was no later news from any of the creeks.

Sledding is good from William Creek to Lytton. Thence to Yale travel is somewhat impeded by snow; but it was expected that there, too, the road would be in good condition for travel in the course of a few days. In the middle country the weather was intensely cold, the mercury falling 38 degrees below zero at the Green Timber, and 28 below zero at Lake La Hache. Mr. McLennan met no less than four of Barnard's Expresses on the way: in one at Bloody Edwards, a second at Lytton, a third near Hope and a fourth at Harrisonmouth.

"How," said Mr. A. to a friend who wished to convey a matter of importance to a lady without communicating directly with her, "how can you be certain of her reading the letter, seeing you have directed it to her husband?" "That I have managed without the possibility of failure," was the answer, "she will open it to a certainty, for I have put the word 'private' in the corner."

Remember our Bar gains for the Holidays!

Great Reduction in Prices. BRUNN & CO. offer their Entire Stock of Men and Boys' Clothing, Hats, Caps and White Dress Shirts at Reduced Prices, so as to enable one and all to dress well for the holidays.

Sovereigns taken for \$5. Greenbacks as usual. BRUNN & CO., Corner Yates and Langley streets, Victoria, V. I.

HEYWOOD'S NEW SUGAR-CURED HAMS and Breakfast Bacon.

HEYWOOD'S PORK SAUSAGE.

ELIXER OF LIFE.—Mr. Heywood, of the Yorkville Market, has commenced for the season to make his celebrated Pork Sausage, manufactured from the very best of Island fed Pork—clear and pure as the snow that fell on Diana's lap—Oh, get out! Everybody buys them, because they are good. Now mind, be sure and make no mistake; it is in the fire-proof Brick Store, next door to the Old Original Coffee Stand.

WE MAY BE HAPPY YET.—Those amongst us who are philosophers enough to think so, and imagine that they see the hopeful cloud "about the size of man's hand," hovering over us, will certainly be confirmed in their belief if they step into T. N. Hibben & Co.'s bookstore and see the variety of attractive, useful and handsome souvenirs in anticipation of the coming Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

AUSTRALIAN HOTEL AND WATER CURE ESTABLISHMENT.—Mr. Seeley has furnished rooms with single and double beds and parlors, for the accommodation of Families and Invalids, with or without board, who may enjoy the benefits of the Sea Water Baths connected with the establishment. Hot Cold or Tepid Sulphur Baths.

NEW WINTER FASHIONS—Received by tall steamer at VICTORIA HOUSE, direct from Paris the Latest Novelties in Ladies' Trimmed Bonnets and Hats, Girls' and Infants' Hats and Bonnets, Genoa Velvets, Bismarck and other new Silks, Flowers and Feathers, Kid Gloves, Black and Colored Velvet Ribbons, etc., etc.

If you wish the very best CABINET PHOTOGRAPHS, you must call on BRADLEY & RULOFSON, 429 Montgomery street, San Francisco.

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New Advertisements

Great Selling off of Winter Goods

AT AN

IMMENSE REDUCTION!

J. H. TURNER & CO.

Having received advices of a great fall in the price of Dry Goods in Europe, and of

Heavy Purchases made by their London Firm at the Low Rate,

Have determined, in order to make room for next season's stock, to offer the balance of their

Beautiful Winter Dress Goods,

Shawls, Mantles, Cloths,

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GENERAL OUTFITTERS,

Beg to intimate that they have received

A very Choice Assortment of Goods for the Winter and Fall Trade, comprising:

Gentlemen's Clothing,

Underclothing,

Baltic and White Shirts,

Waterproof Coats

THE BRITISH COLONIST.

Monday Morning, Jan 6, 1868.

TO ADVERTISERS.

Transient Advertisements must be paid for in advance to insure insertion.

TO AGENTS.

Settlements of accounts will be required monthly, or the supply of paper will be discontinued. The daily and weekly issues will be furnished at the lowest cash rates and no exception will in future be made to this rule.

NANAIMO AGENCY.

Mr H. W. Alexander is no longer authorized to act as Agent of this paper at Nanaimo. Our business at that place will in future be conducted by Mr S. D. LEWIS, who is alone empowered to receipt for subscriptions, &c.

NOTICE

From and after this date Collections for Subscriptions to the DAILY BRITISH COLONIST will be made FORTNIGHTLY.

Auction Sales To-day.

P. M. BACKUS.....Wharf street.....will sell at 11 o'clock, on the premises, corner Quay and Cormorant streets, Household Furniture, Pictures and Sewing Machine.

J. P. DAVIES & CO.....Wharf street.....will sell at 11 o'clock, Billiard Table, Furniture, Drapery, &c., &c.

What in the name of common sense is our city contemporary driving at? On which side of the political fence is it trying to get down? Under which King is it disposed to serve? Three Sundays ago it was snapping like a mud-turtle at all Confederationists. The next week it swallowed composing draught and announced that Confederation is as good a thing as Annexation; and yesterday, it so far forgot its antecedents as to publish, in lieu of its usual leader, a letter, signed "W. H. O," in which the writer, irreverently addressing the News editor as "Dear Mack," (what's that?) after prosecuting a few anxious inquiries as to "you and yours," and diving into "family" matters, to the no small edification of the readers of the News, proceeds to administer to our contemporary a dose of Confederation soothing syrup, which must have set rather badly on his stomach, for we find on the third page of the same issue two letters in opposition to Confederation. The first—being remarkably stupid—is surmised to have been written in the News office, and is, consequently, unanswerable. The second, however, is a much more brilliant production. The writer boldly asserts that "Canada is nearer Cariboo than Victoria," and fears that if the Colony were to join the Confederacy, the Cariboo miners would get their supplies from Canada instead of from Victoria, and "hence Confederation would be an injury to this town!" Or, what amounts to the same thing, if the Pacific Railroad be completed, Great Salt Lake City will become the metropolis of the Pacific and San Francisco be snuffed out like a farthing candle. Let us reassure our alarmed friend by referring him to any schoolboy's map, where he will find that his fears are groundless. Before he again attempts to enlighten the public through the press, he should be sure that he understands the subject that he intends to write about. There is as much danger of Victoria trade suffering from the "competition of Canadians" as there is of the writer in the News being picked out for a clever man and sent to the Dominion Parliament. Seriously, though, the extraordinary antics of our contemporary are making him appear very ridiculous. He ought to try to either one thing or the other for seven days at a time, or resign the goosequill to some person possessing consistency, even if he should lack common sense.

The Hamilton (Canada) Spectator, in an article condemning the Annexation movement which proved so miserable a failure in this Colony some months back, says: "The fact that the members of the Colonial Legislature have voted almost unanimously for the union of the Colony with the Dominion of Canada, cannot be denied by these annexationists; and we learn from the tone of public opinion, as expressed in the columns of the newspapers of Vancouver Island, with one exception, that the feeling of the people is correctly interpreted by their representatives. In spite of the efforts made by Mr Seward and his agents, and in spite of the manner in which those efforts have been seconded by the American residents in the Colony, there appears to be no reason to doubt that the large majority of the people of Vancouver Island are not only desirous of maintaining their connection with Britain, but that they are also anxious of becoming united with Canada as soon as possible. They believe, and we think they are correct in so believing, that a union with us would at once render them stronger and better able to hold their own than they now are; that, as one of the component parts of the Canadian Confederation, the Colony of Vancouver Island would be far more likely to attract emigrants from Europe than it can possibly hope to do in its present condition, while, in the future, they look forward to the prospect of forming the extreme western

gateway to and stronghold of the Dominion. There can be no doubt that what Halifax is to the Dominion on the Atlantic seaboard, the principal seaport of Vancouver Island is likely to be on the Pacific coast. That Colony is one of the pillars upon which the imperial structure which we are now building must rest. Mr Seward and the American people are wise and farsighted enough to see this, and hence the effort to rob us of Vancouver Island. It is, however, only necessary that the Imperial and Canadian authorities should become equally alive to the importance of the question, that they should not allow themselves to be lulled into fancied security, but that they should recognize what is the actual position of affairs here; that there is a struggle now going on for the possession of the northern half of this Continent, and that it depends upon ourselves whether we shall realize the brilliant future we have contemplated or not. We say there is a struggle going on between Britain and the United States for the possession of the northern portion of this Continent. Happily it is not one of guns and bayonets, but of ideas and national progress, and we trust that the struggle may be decided in our favor, without recourse to harsher weapons than are now being used. But in order that this may be the case—in order that peace may be maintained on this Continent, it is in the highest degree essential that we should be thoroughly alive to the importance of the questions which are now demanding immediate attention, and that we should work while there is yet time, with a view to "drawing close the ties of empire," and solidifying and rendering strong and compact the various scattered portions of British America."

A LADY'S ENDORSEMENT.

Madame E.—, the acknowledged leader of the most refined and fashionable society in the city of New York, speaks of MURRAY & LANMAN'S FLORIDA WATER in the following highly complimentary manner, viz: "It has a fragrance as fresh as the odor from blooming flowers, and imparts to the bath a delightful buoyance. I use it on the toilet table and the handkerchief, to the exclusion of all other perfumes."

Buyers should always ask for the Florida Water prepared by Lanman & Kemp, New York, 545.

Evidence from the Land of Gold!

"My scald head, or tetter, about which I wrote you before, is all gone. Five bottles of Bristol's Sarsaparilla cured me"—B. FORGES, San Jose.

"Your Bristol's Sarsaparilla and Pills have cured me of Salt Rheum that I had suffered with for seven years."—R. JOHNSON, Mariposa.

"I really believe that Bristol's Sarsaparilla and Pills have been the means of saving my life"

T. J. EDWARDS, Stockton.

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HOLLOWAY'S PILLS.—Strong and Hearty.—Every wise man aims at attaining health at any price, but, unfortunately, rarely thinks about it till it is going or gone. Holloway's Pills now stand very high in public estimation for purifying the blood and promoting the appetite and digestion, that it is unnecessary to do more than name them as the surest and safest means of retaining or regaining robust health and corresponding strength. They act as purifiers, tonics, alteratives, and aperients; and they exercise over every organ the most wholesome influence, by supplying it with the purest blood, and regulating the quality and quantity of every secretion. The most timid and delicate invalid will derive from Holloway's Pills vigour and comfort.

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New Advertisements.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO DIRECT.



THE CALIFORNIA, OREGON AND Mexico Steamship Company's Steamer

California

CHAS. F. WINSOR, Commander.

Will sail for SAN FRANCISCO from Esquimalt on WEDNESDAY, the 8th inst.

For notice of hour will be given.

At Brodrick's Wharf.

N.B.—Any passengers found on board after the steamer leaves the wharf, who have not tickets, will be landed on the coast.

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Schedule B.

GENERAL ABSTRACT Shewing the average amount of the Liabilities and Assets within the Colony of British Columbia, of the Bank of British North America, taken from the usual Weekly Statements during the Quarter from 30th September to 31st December, 1867:

LIABILITIES. AMT. TOTAL.

Notes in Circulation, not bearing interest.....\$183,265 00

Bills in circulation, not bearing interest.....

Landed Property.....119,220 80

Balances due to other Banks and Branches.....66,165 01

Deposits, not bearing interest.....\$320,140 17

Deposits, bearing interest.....103,737 00

.....423,877 17

Total amount of Liabilities.....\$673,333 08

Amount of the Capital Stock paid up at the close of the quarter ended December 31, 1867.....\$5,000,000 00

Rate of the last Dividend declared to the shareholders (including bonus of 1½ per cent.).....1½ p. cent. \$250,000 00

Amount of the last Dividend declared.....

Amount of the Reserved Profit at the time of declaring such dividend.....

(Signed) J. G. SHEPHERD, Manager.

Declared before me at Victoria, this 21 day of December, 1868.

(Signed) A. F. PEMBERTON, S. M.

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Showing the average amount of the LIABILITIES and ASSETS of the Bank of British Columbia, within the Colony of British Columbia, and its dependencies, taken from the several Weekly Statements for the Quarter ending 31st December, 1867:

LIABILITIES.

Notes in Circulation.....\$126,078 00

Balance due to other Banks and Branches.....10,907 33

Deposits not bearing Interest.....\$113,715 14

Deposits bearing Interest.....10,545 07

.....130,564 11

Total amount of Liabilities.....\$225,539 44

Amount of Capital Stock paid up at the close of the quarter ended 31st Dec., 1867.....\$1,490,000

Rate of the last Dividend declared.....

Amount of the reserved profit at the time of declaring such dividend.....\$107,870

W. C. WARD, Manager,

W. W. FRANCIS, Accountant,

Declared before me at Victoria, B.C., this 3d day of January, 1869.

(Signed)

W. C. WARD, Manager,

A. F. PEMBERTON, S. M.

New Advertisements.

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to be found on this coast. Orders by mail or express

promptly attended to in their turn.

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Now being received at the above Establishment,

Ex "BYZANTIUM"

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from London, THE FOLLOWING:

Dry Goods, Clothing, &c. Provisions and Oilman's Stores.

BAGS, Gunny, Dundee and carpet

BAIZE, Blue, green, scarlet and red

BLANKETS...White, 3 to 4 pds.; Colored, 2½, 3, 3½ and

CARPETS...Crossley & Sons Brussels, Tapestry, Kidderminster, Twilled, Hemp and Heart Lugs

CLOTH...Superfine blue, black, scarlet, black and brown

heaver, Scotch tweed and hairy coating

COTTON...Long cloth, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8 yards, and

6½ and striped, 7½ navy blue, regatta and furniture

cloth, 27 in duck

STROUDS...White, blue, scarlet and green

THICK...Black, white, and brown, Turkish, bleached and

TOWELS...do, do, and brown, Turkish and

white, muslin, lace and blue

WADDING...White and black linen bed tick

ALPACA...Fancy checked and silk pile veils

CLOTHING...Ladies' children's and infants' under

CLOTHING...4-6 all wool, black and drab mohair

CORDUROY...Drab, black and fancy cassimette and mohair

COTTON...do, do, and brown

CLOTHES...White damask, assorted sizes

CLOVERS...Colored woollen damask

DELAINES...do, 4 printed colors

DRESSES...More antique and delaine

FEATHERS...Blue and colored ostrich, scarlet, military

FLANNEL...White and colored

FLANNEL...White and colored Saxon and wove baltic

GINGHAM...4-4-4-4 and fancy Scotch

GLOVES...Men's, ladies' and children's cloth, colored and white

HATS...ladies' and girls' trimmed straw

HOSIES...A large assortment men's, women's and children's

HANDKERCHIEFS...Handkerchiefs, coral and black silk

HAT...do, do, and brown

HOLDERS...do, do, and brown

HOLLY...do, do, and brown

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New Advertisements.

Commercial House.

Great Clearing Out Sale of Dry Goods!

McCutchan & Callingham

Beg to announce that, in consequence of one of the partners of the firm being obliged very shortly to leave the Colony for England, the whole of their **LARGE AND VALUABLE STOCK OF DRY GOODS** will be offered during the month of January AT GREATLY REDUCED PRICES.

The Public may feel assured that the Goods will be offered to them at unprecedentedly Low Prices, as it is necessary that the entire stock be sold off within

THIRTY DAYS.

THE STOCK COMPRISES:

Furnishing Goods.

Horrocks' Long Cloths

Hearth Rugs, &c., &c.

Laces.

Real and Imitation Laces

Lace and Muslin Ball Dresses

Lace Drifts, Needlework Sets

Infants' Embroidered Robes and Frocks

Blk Spanish Nets, &c., &c.

Shawls and Mantles.

Plaid and Fancy Woollen Shawls

French Broche

Cashmere and Lace

Rich Velvet and Silk Mantles

Shawls and Mantles.

Black and Colored Cloth

Opera Cloaks, House Jackets

Infants' Cashmere Cloaks

Hosiery &c.

Women's and Children's—in Cotton

Merino and Lambwool—a large assortment

Ladies' Merino Vests

Breakfast Shawls, Hoods, &c.

Ladies' and Children's Corsets

Morning Wrappers, &c., &c.

Gloves.

Paris Kid, best quality

Cloth and Silk Gloves, all sizes

Blk Broad and Beaver Cloths

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Silks.

Plain Glaces, in every shade and color

Moire Antiques, " " "

Irish Poplins, " " "

Silk and Patent Velvets " "

Glaces, all widths

Dress Goods.

Merinos, Coburgs, Alpacas

Delaines, Linseys, French Prints,

Muslins, &c., &c.

Furnishing Goods.

All-Wool Damasks

Muslin Curtains

Linen and Cotton Sheetings

Counterpanes, Table Covers

Christmas & New Year's PRESENTS.

W. J. JAMIESON,

Government street,

(ADJOINING COLONIAL HOTEL,) VICTORIA, V.I.

HAS RECEIVED

LARGE ADDITIONS

TO HIS STOCK OF

Watches

AND

JEWELRY,

SELECTED

EXPRESSLY FOR THE HOLIDAYS!

Consisting of

Gold and Silver Watches;

Chains, Breastpins;

Earrings, Bracelets;

Buckles, Rings;

SILVERWARE.

Fish and Pie Slices;

Napkin Rings, Card Cases;

Child's sets of Knife, Fork and Spoon;

Cups;

Tea and Table Spoons and Forks, &c.

Silver Plated Tea and Coffee sets;

Castors, Cake Baskets;

Berry Dishes, Servers, &c.

Parlor and Mantle Clocks, in Bronze,

Gilt and Marble.

MUSICAL BOXES,

OPERA AND MARINE GLASSES,

And a variety of

FANCY ARTICLES,

All of which are offered at

GREATLY REDUCED PRICES.

Christmas Festive Season

Daniel Cleal

HAVING TAKEN THE PREMISES

Adjoining his well-known Restaurant on

GOVERNMENT STREET,

(Lately occupied by Messrs. Waller & Stemmler), and in which he has fitted up one of the

Most commodious and elegant Bar-

Rooms in Victoria,

Respectfully informs his numerous friends and the public that he has laid in an extensive stock of

Wines of the finest quality,

Liquors of the best brands,

And the choicest of Ales,

which he will be happy to dispense for the creature comforts of those who may favor him with a call.

OPEN ON TUESDAY,

CHRISTMAS EVE,

Laving in full at 6 o'clock.

Dated 23rd December, 1867.

P.S.—A LUNCH will be placed on the

Table this Christmas Eve, at 6 o'clock

P.M., and CONTINUED EVERY DAY

during the year, from 11 a.m. till 3

o'clock, p.m.

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Auction Sales.

J. P. Davies & Co

AUCTIONEERS AND COMMISSION MERCHANTS. Salesroom Fireproof Stone Building, Wharf Street, near Yates.

Cash advances made on Consignments.

NOTICE.

In connection with our Real Estate business, we have had made, by competent Surveyors, two large Maps, each 6 feet square, of the City of Victoria together with the Suburban Property, &c., &c.; also, a large Map of Esquimalt and the surrounding Property.

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AUCTION

J. P. DAVIES & CO.

AT SALESROOM

Wharf Street.

THIS DAY

Monday, Jan. 6th,

AT 11 O'CLOCK, A.M.

Auction Sales.

AUCTION

Furniture

BY AUCTION

ON THE PREMISES,

HOUSE HEAD OF FORT STREET,

TO-MORROW THIS DAY

Tuesday, January 7,

AT 11 O'CLOCK, A.M.

J. A. MC CREA

Instructed by

MR. GEO. WEBSTER

WILL SELL,

Very superior Brussels Tapestry Carpet

Rich Curtains, Window Blinds Large French Plate Glass Mirror Lounge, Tables, Chairs

Engravings A very choice assortment

Bedroom Furniture

Bedsteads, Mattresses, Pillows

Chairs, Washstands, &c.

Crockery and Glassware, and the usual Kitchen Furniture

Books A choice selection.

For Sale or Lease,

The above House and large Garden.

Apply to J. A. McCREA, Wharf street.

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New Christmas Fruit JUST LANDING,

Ex "Mercara," from Liverpool, and "Superior," from San Francisco.

50 chests U.S. Tea

100 boxes Muscatel Raisins

100 half and qr-bxs do

100 bbls Zante Currants

100 bxs Lemon Peel

100 do Orange Peel

100 do Citron Peel

100 do Almonds, shelled

100 do Jordan Almonds

100 do Figs

100 do Fresh Peaches, in tins

100 bbls Crushed (+) Sugar

100 bxs Glenfield Starch

100 bbls Split Peas

100 bxs Candies

100 5-gallon kegs Golden Syrup

100 bbls Clear Mess Pork

2,000 gallons Devoe's Coal Oil

And a general assortment of Goods, which the undersigned offers for sale.

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL.

WILLSON & RICKMAN,

Corner Fort and Douglas streets.

BLANKETS.

4-POINT GREEN;

4-POINT INDIGO BLUE.

For sale, at low rates, by

THOS. LETT STAHL SCHMIDT,

de20 Wharf street.

CURTIS & HARVEY'S GUN POWDER.

FF IN LB. AND ½ LB. CANNISTERS

COARSE GRAIN RIFLE

DIAMOND GRAIN

BLASTING

For sale by

THOS. LETT STAHL SCHMIDT,

de20 Wharf street.

KIRKMAN'S PIANOS.

A FEW OF THE ABOVE

celebrated Instruments.

For sale by

Letter from Alfred Waddington, Esq.

CLARENCE HOTEL, NEW YORK, }
November 29th, 1867.

DEAR SIR:—We arrived here safely on the 20th inst., and I start for Montreal to-morrow morning; but before leaving New York I must give you a short sketch of my journey.

Our trip from Victoria to San Francisco was a prosperous one (four days and one hour), but the California rolls frightfully, more so, indeed, than any boat I ever was on, although the sea was calm enough. At night I turned from one side to another like a barrel, and on deck we had to place our feet like a pair of open compasses. We had several celebrities on board, viz.: Mr. and Mrs. Turgoose, who accompanied us to Panama, en route for Mexico, where they intend opening an industrial establishment; King, the contractor, who contrived to smuggle himself on board under a false name, and a Capt. Swan, whom you may have heard of. In San Francisco I met with several of our old Victoria friends, Mr. Walker, Wright & Saunders, Mr. George, Mr. Heath, Mr. Sutro, Rhind and others. They all spoke with regret of Victoria and would be glad to return if anything were to be done there. I also saw Mr. Bell, the "annexationist," who introduced me to the editor-in-chief of the *Bulletin*. The latter spoke favorably enough of our overland route, which obliged Mr. Bell rather to modify his opinion and do as much. San Francisco is an immensely improving place and some of the buildings that are going up are truly magnificent.

Yours, sincerely,

Arizona. A great part of Aspinwall was blown up by the explosion of nitro-glycerine some time ago, and the ruins of a three story adobe house, and the wreck of an English steamer give the place a melancholy aspect. It is moreover an open roadstead, and what is more, two of our passengers who made the attempt could not find here about 40 passengers on board, of whom 16 were shipwrecked sailors, and the remainder from New Zealand and Australia. The Arizona is a better and stronger vessel than the Sacramento, which we soon found out. For the first five days we had nothing but rain, fog and heavy weather, so that many of the passengers were detained in their berths casting up accounts, but when they got better and appeared at table the shortness of the meals became too evident. Thus we would have for breakfast at a table for sixteen, one pig's foot boiled and slit in two, a plate with two crackers, an oval dish with four sardines placed two inches apart from each other, a plate with one sea biscuit, no potatoes, no bread till called for, a plate with four small slices of cold meat, and a small plate of butter. We now passed Jamaica and St. Domingo, the east end of Cuba, Long Island and Romney Island, and the temperature became more moderate, till we passed Cape Hatteras and left the Gulf stream, when the cold became most sudden and trying and killed all the parrots on board. At last we reached New York on Wednesday, 20th inst., after a safe but tedious voyage and landing on Canal street wharf at 8 in the morning.

In my next I must give you some account of my doings here, which will take a letter as long as this, but at present have only time to subscribe myself.

ALFRED WADDINGTON.

Dominion of Canada.

PARLIAMENTARY PROCEEDINGS.

Mr Savary presented a petition from Nova Scotia, charging the Hon. W. Young, Chief Justice of that province, with illegal conduct and other misdemeanors and praying that steps be taken for his removal from office.

Mr Walsh enquired whether it is the intention of the Government to introduce a measure for securing to the Government the possession of the various telegraph lines within the Dominion, and providing for the management of the same in connection with the postal system.

Sir John A Macdonald said the Government, before introducing a measure, would wait to see the action of the English Government on the same subject.

At Cape Lucas we stopped to take up some passenger, or passengers, who had lighted a beacon at the top of a conical hill, which was at first taken for a volcano, and several learned disquisitions were made on the subject. It was during the dinner time, but female curiosity could not resist the temptation and one by one all the ladies left the table and ran upon deck to see the new comers. They soon came down, however, deeply disappointed, the only passenger being an elderly gentleman with one eye. He turned out to be one of the Congress elect of Juarez party, and was going to Mexico via Acapulco.

The heat had now become oppressive, the sea calm and monotonous, and the only interruption consisted in the constant din of plates for succeeding meals. We arrived at Acapulco at 6 a.m. on the Wednesday following our departure, where we took in coal and water and I went on shore for a couple of hours. It is said to contain 5000 inhabitants and has the quiet appearance of all Spanish towns in South America. The situation, however, is lovely and the harbor perfectly landlocked. The French put up iron lamp posts in the streets, which are still used, and established a police force of eight men. Our steamer was soon surrounded with boats and canoes of every description, loaded with bananas, pine apples, limes, oranges, shells, segars, paroquets, &c.; whilst several naked divers would plunge and instantly bring up ten cent pieces and other small coins, which were thrown to them, from the bottom of the sea.

We now kept chiefly in sight of the shore till we reached the Bay of Panama, where we arrived on Tuesday morning 12th inst. We had however, to wait several hours for the tide, before the small steamer in waiting could take us to Panama, distance of several miles; but some of the passengers who were more impatient hired boats and went on shore, although it was beginning to rain. At length we started for the town and got there about 2 o'clock amidst torrents of rain. Panama contains 14,000 inhabitants and is a picturesque place with its old streets and cathedrals. We landed at a covered wharf, where the cars were waiting for us, and where we were immediately assailed by every possible kind of noise and importunity. Men running away with your baggage in every direction. Parrots, shirt buttons, Panama hats, and cigars stuffed in your face, with deafening cries of iced lemonade, rum, wine, peels, silver coin, &c., to say nothing of religious tracts and everything else imaginable. We were met here by our fellow passengers who had come on shore in the boats and who had been drenched to the skin. They had to buy new clothing from head to foot and spend about \$25 each for the break.

The railroad runs through a pictureque country, overgrown with tropical vegetation. It is 47 miles long, is very shaky owing to the worn out state of the rails, and as to the curves they are the sharpest I ever saw, and almost incredible. Towards Aspinwall the road follows the Chagres, a sluggish, red, muddy river, and the country becomes very swampy. It is here that so many thousand perished in building the road; that it is said a human skeleton may be counted for each sleeper. We made the trip in rather better than three hours and paddled with our baggage through the only street in Aspinwall to the passenger and baggage room, where we had to wait more than two hours until 8 p.m., with the single light of a gloomy lamp, before we were admitted on board the

Shipping Notices.

For San Francisco via Puget Sound.

THE FINE NEW SCHOONER

"ALASKA,"

Captain Rufus Calhoun, will commence taking in freight at the Nelson Bay Company's Wharf on Monday next, the 27th instant, and will have quick dispatch.

For freight, apply to J. ROBERTSON STEWART.

NOTICE.

H. B. Co.'s Ship Prince of Wales.

THE PERSONS ARE NOTIFIED that this vessel will be ready to receive freight for London on Monday, 30th inst.

For particulars, apply to the H. B. Co.'s Office, on Wharf street.

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H. B. Co.'s Bark Prince of Wales

FROM LONDON.

NETHER THE CAPTAIN NOR

the owners of the above vessel will be responsible for any debts contracted by the crew.

SPROAT & CO., Agents,

Store street.

FOR SHANGHAI.

THE A 1 BRITISH SHIP:

"THE TREBOLGAN,"

1200 tons register. Thomas Lewis commander, is intended to sail from Esquimalt Harbor for this port on or about the 15th of January next.

The ship has very superior accommodation for Cabin and Steerage Passengers.

For rates of passage, apply to J. ROBERTSON STEWART,

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Agent.

British Ship Trebolan, from Shanghai

THOS. LEWIS, Commander.

NETHER THE CAPTAIN NOR

the undersigned will be responsible for any debts contracted by the crew without their written orders.

J. ROBERTSON STEWART, Agent,

Victoria, 5th December, 1867.

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Bark Mercuria, from Liverpool.

NETHER THE CAPTAIN NOR

the undersigned, Consignee of the above vessel, will be responsible for any debts contracted by the crew without their written orders.

JANION, GREEN & RHODES,

Dec. 27.

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Re CHARLES WENTWORTH WAL-

LACE, a Bankrupt.

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